# REPORT OF THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES ENGAGEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR

For The Period July 1, 2004 Through June 30, 2005



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# Independent Accountant's Report

Robbie Rudolph, Secretary, Finance and Administration Cabinet The Honorable Mills Foster Christian County Property Valuation Administrator Hopkinsville, Kentucky

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Christian County Property Valuation Administrator (PVA), solely to assist you with the accountability for statutory contribution receipts and disbursements, including capital outlay disbursements, city government receipts, recordkeeping, and leases and contracts for period July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005. This engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures was performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Christian County PVA. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Our procedures and findings are as follows:

#### 1. Procedure -

Determine if the PVA has a receipt ledger, a disbursement ledger, and reconciles bank records to books each month. Re-perform the year-end bank reconciliation (June 30, 2005), to determine if amounts are accurate.

Finding -

The Property Valuation Administrator maintains manually prepared receipts and disbursements ledger by month, as well as a ledger summary of monthly and year-to-date totals. Bank records were reconciled to the books on a monthly basis. The year-end bank reconciliation (June 30, 2005) was accurate.

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#### 2. Procedure -

Compare recorded city receipts to confirmed payment amounts obtained from city governments. Also review the list of city receipts for completeness.

# Finding -

The recorded city receipts agreed to amounts confirmed with the cities of Hopkinsville, Pembroke, and Oak Grove. Confirmation could not be obtained from the cities of Crofton and Lafayette. However, due to the small amount of these receipts in comparison to total city receipts, no further testing or confirmation was deemed necessary. City receipts appear to be accounted for accurately and completely.

#### 3. Procedure -

Compare the budgeted statutory contribution by fiscal court to the legally required amounts calculated by the Department of Revenue. Trace the fiscal court payments from the fiscal court statutory contribution budget account to the PVA's local bank account.

## Finding -

The budgeted statutory contribution from the fiscal court agreed with the legally required amount calculated by the Department of Revenue. The Fiscal Court payment was traced from the fiscal court statutory contribution budget account to the PVA's local bank account.

#### 4. Procedure -

Judgmentally select 15 disbursements from PVA records and agree amounts to cancelled checks, paid invoices or other supporting documentation. Determine if the expenditure is for official business. Review all credit card statements (if any) to determine if expenditures are for official business.

## Finding -

PVA expenditure records agreed with cancelled checks and paid invoices or other supporting documentation. All expenditures appeared to be for official business. All credit card purchases appeared to be properly documented and for official business.

#### 5. Procedure -

Compare capital outlay disbursements with cancelled checks, supporting documentation, and proper purchasing procedures. Verify the location of newly acquired assets. Determine if assets were added to the PVA's Capital Asset Inventory List.

# Finding -

Capital outlay disbursements agreed with cancelled checks and supporting documentation. It appears proper purchasing procedures were followed. Assets were observed for existence and traced to the PVA's Capital Asset Inventory List.

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#### 6. Procedure -

Scan vehicle lease agreements, personal service contracts, and professional service contracts for cost schedules and compare to actual payments. Determine if services received were appropriate, for official business, and properly authorized.

Finding -

The PVA has a service contract for copier maintenance and a lease agreement for postage equipment. Amounts paid for both agreements appear to be reasonable per the provisions of their respective contracts. Services received were appropriate, for official business, and properly authorized.

#### 7. Procedure -

Compare PVA's final budget to actual expenditures to determine if PVA overspent in any account series.

Finding -

The PVA did not overspend the final budget in any account series.

#### 8. Procedure -

Determine whether collateral is necessary for the PVA's funds. If necessary determine if the PVA was sufficiently collateralized for the year and if a collateral agreement exists.

Finding -

In most months, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) coverage was sufficient to protect the PVA's deposits. However, on August 31, 2004, the PVA's deposits exceeded FDIC coverage and were not sufficiently collateralized. The PVA had a standing collateral agreement with BB&T Bank at August 31, 2004, but due to an oversight, the bank failed to pledge securities on this date. According to a representative of BB&T Bank, the oversight was corrected in December 2005, and all future deposits exceeding FDIC coverage should be properly secured.

#### 9. Procedure -

Determine whether timesheets are completed, maintained, and support hours worked.

Finding -

The PVA does keep and properly maintain timesheets. However, during the time period examined, timesheets only reflected time not worked. As of January 1, 2006, the PVA does keep timesheets reflecting hours worked and signed by employees.

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We were not engaged to, and did not perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the receipts and disbursements, including capital outlay disbursements, city government receipts, recordkeeping, and leases and contracts. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the PVA and the Department of Revenue and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Auditor of Public Accounts** 

Engagement fieldwork completed - January 31, 2006